

Appl. No.: 09/909,248
Amdt. dated: 8/12/2003
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 6 and 7 are pending. Claims 1 and 6 have been amended to more particularly point out the Applicants' invention. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed herewith along with a Petition for an Extension of Time of two months. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendment and provide favorable consideration of claims 1, 6 and 7.

Claim Objections:

Claim 6 was objected to for an informality relating to "ii". Claim 6 is being amended, as suggested, to delete --ii-- from the claims thus, this objection should be overcome.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §112:

Claims 6 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as the invention. In particular, the terminology "in response to said application program running on said remote host computer" forms the basis of this rejection. This terminology has been removed from the claims. Accordingly, this objection should be overcome.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §102:

Claims 1, 6 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by *McCain* U.S. patent no. 5,309,351. In order for there to be anticipation, each and every one of the claims must be found in a single reference. It is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, recite elements clearly not disclosed or suggested by the *McCain et al.* reference. Indeed, the claims, as amended, recite that the system is operable in a pen mode and in a mouse mode and in the mouse mode emulates the movement of a mouse and the clicking of a mouse button in the mouse mode. The *McCain* patent does not disclose or suggest such a feature. Accordingly, there can be no anticipation.

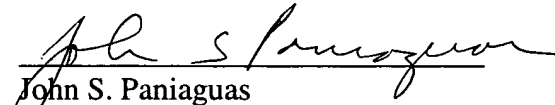
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CONCLUSION

An earnest attempt has been made to place the application in condition for allowance.
Accordingly, an early allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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